

FIG. 1

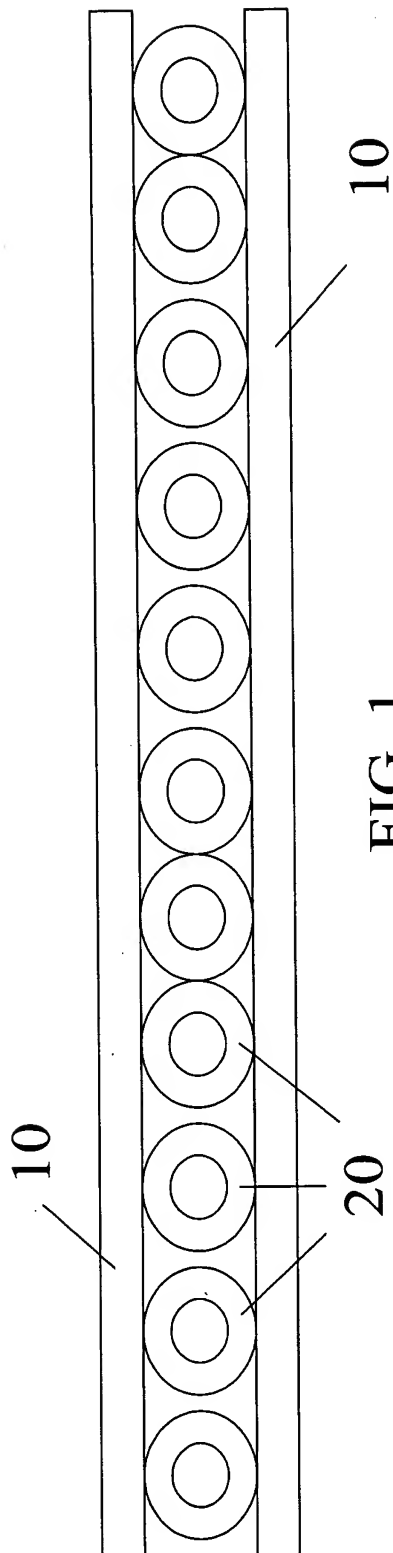


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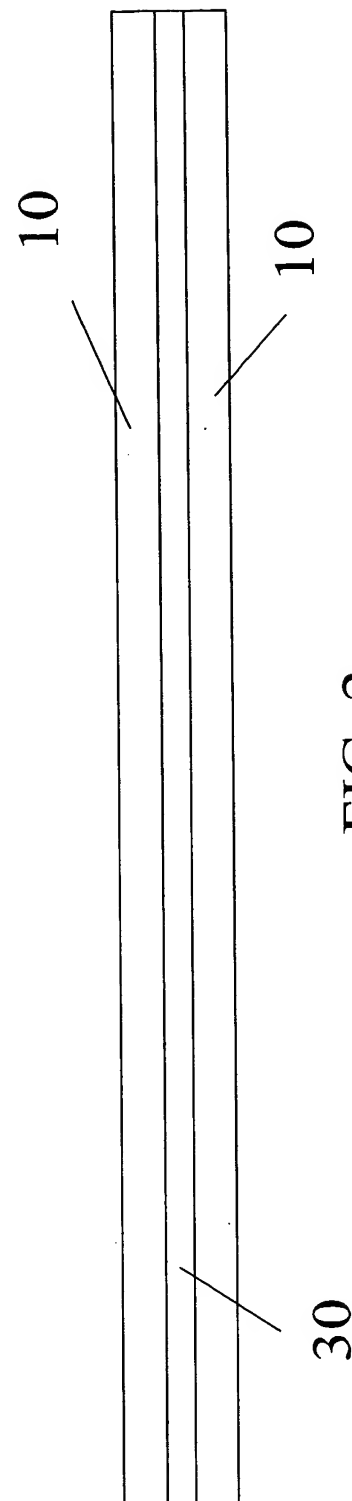


FIG. 2

FIG. 3 is a perspective view of a multi-layered structure 10, showing a top layer 10, a middle layer 20, and a bottom layer 10. The middle layer 20 is composed of a series of parallel, elongated, and slightly curved elements 20, which are arranged in a staggered fashion relative to the top and bottom layers 10. The top layer 10 is a flat, rectangular sheet. The bottom layer 10 is a flat, rectangular sheet. The middle layer 20 is positioned between the top and bottom layers 10. The middle layer 20 is composed of a series of parallel, elongated, and slightly curved elements 20, which are arranged in a staggered fashion relative to the top and bottom layers 10.

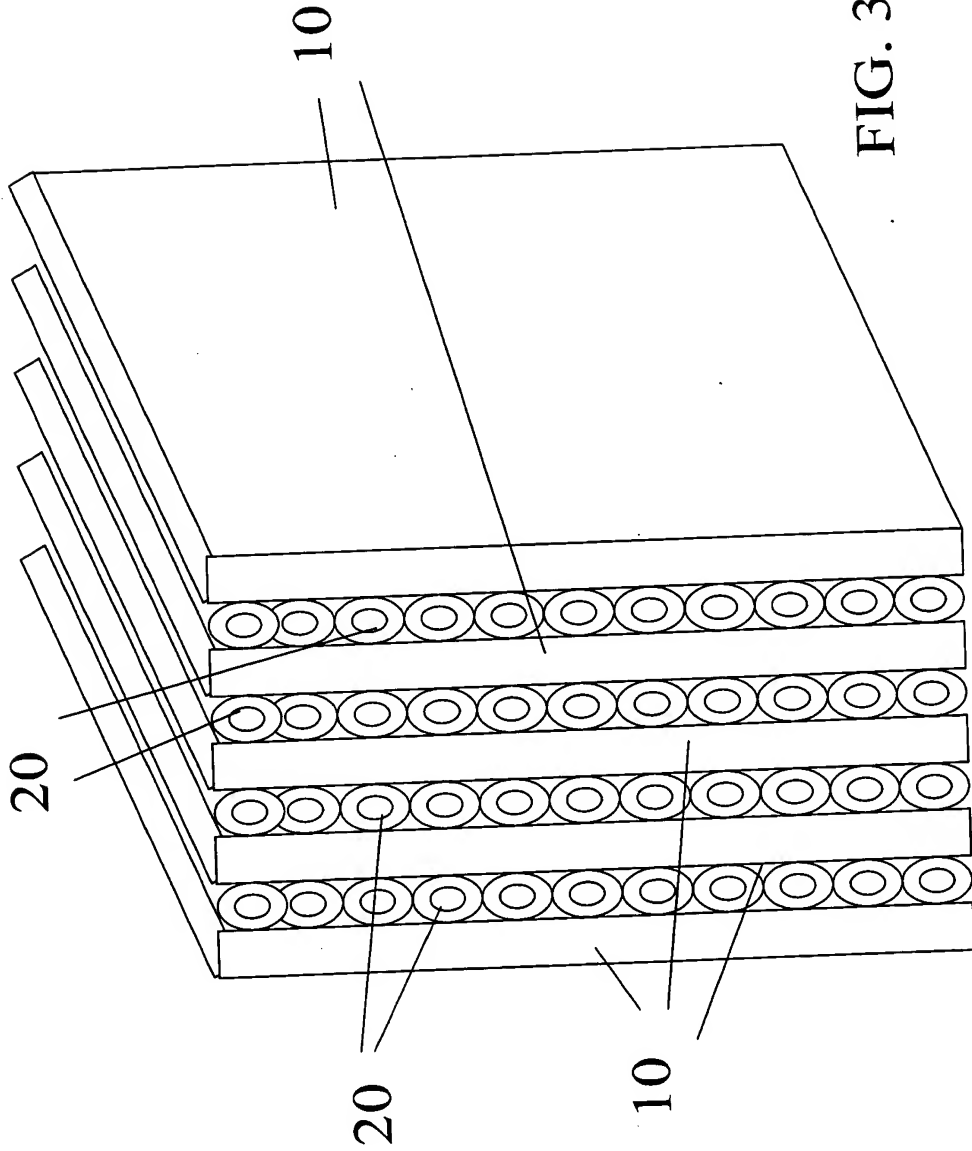


FIG. 3

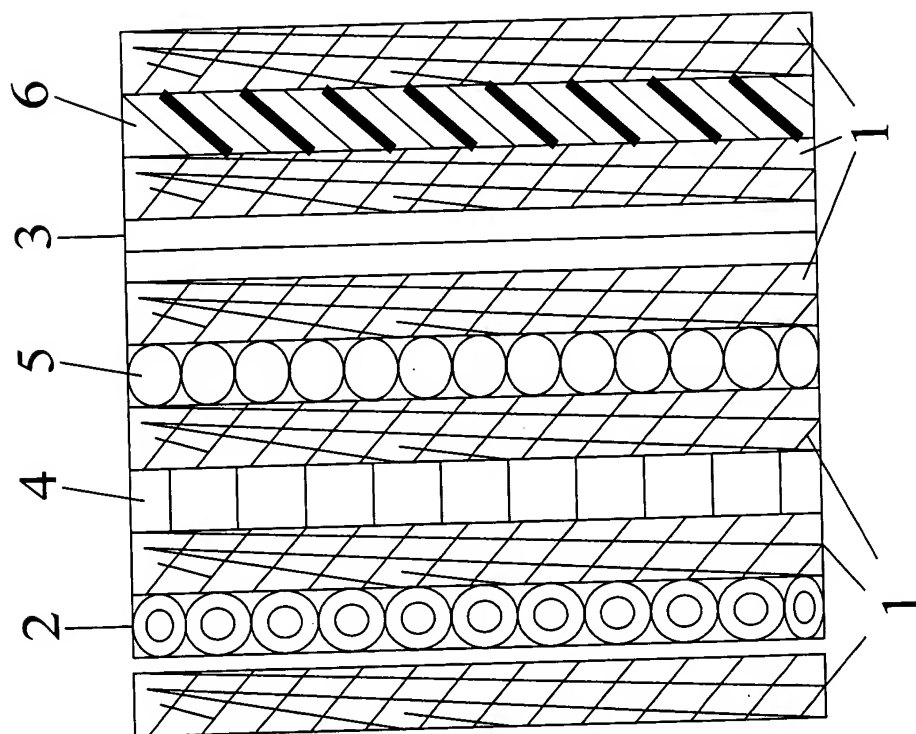


FIG. 4

FIG. 5 is a schematic diagram of a system for processing a material, showing a flow from a source (40) through a series of components (42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68) to a final output (68).

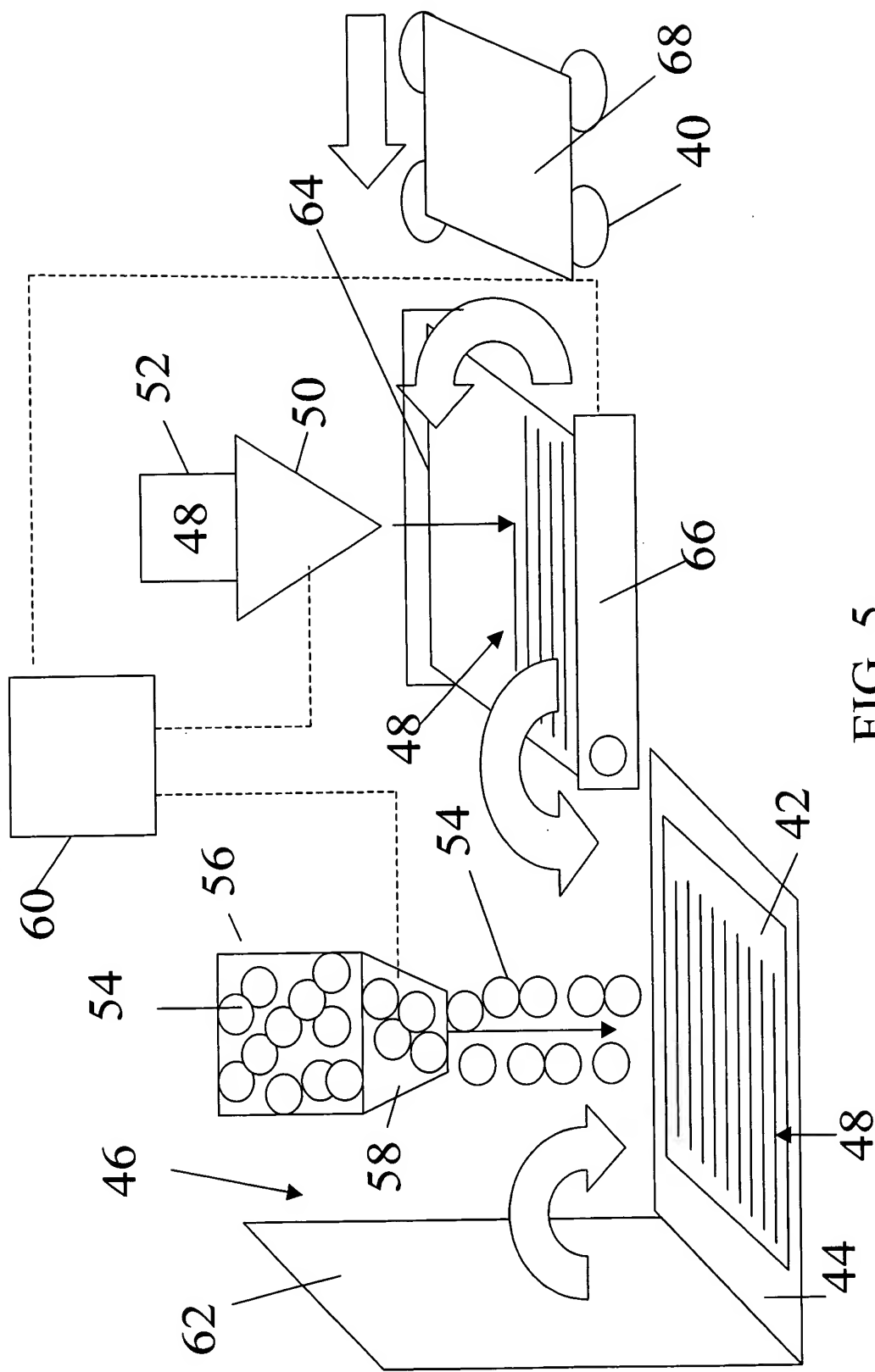


FIG. 5